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Following seven hours of negotiations on April 23 (reftel), representatives of two feuding provinces in Tarija, southern Bolivia, agreed to stop engaging in strikes, protests, and violence. They further agreed to respect the pending legal decision regarding their provincial border dispute, which resulted in one death and several injuries April 17 and 18. The parties plan to work together to seek consensus on a proposed solution that they will suggest to the judge, the prefect of Potosi, who will determine the boundaries between the two provinces and the coveted ownership of Margarita natural gas field.

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